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FOLLOWING REPEAT USIA 3303 ACTION ABU DHABI

ALGIERS CAIRO JIDDA KUWAIT NAPLES ROME TEL AVIV TUNIS

INFO ROME DATED FEBRUARY 4, 1976.

QUOTE

L I M I T E D O F F I C I A L U S E 3303

USIAS FOR RSOS AND PAOS

E.O. 11652: NA

SUBJECT: VISIT BY ASTRONAUTS

FOLLOWING ALSO SENT TO DOHA FOR ACTION

1. NASA REQUESTED ASSURANCE ASTRONAUTS WOULD BE PROTECTED FROM TERRORIST INCIDENT ON USIA SPONSORED TOUR. FOLLOWING REVIEW EMBASSY RESPONSES TO USIA 2537-C (NOTAL) AND DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN IOS AND SY, NASA ADVISED EXTENT OF PROTECTIVE COVERAGE AT EACH STOP ON ITINERARY WILL INCLUDE:

A. TIMELY INFORMATION BEING MADE AVAILABLE BY EMBASSY ON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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LOCAL SECURITY CONDITIONS WHICH EFFECT MOVEMENT OF PARTY.

B. DEPLOYMENT OF UNIFORMED AND PLAINCLOTHES POLICE AT AIRPORTS, HOTELS, AND ON CEREMONIAL OCCASIONS.

C. LOCAL GOVERNMENT POLICE ESCORT ON ALL MOVES WITHIN CITY.

D. PROTECTED MEETING PLACES AND SCREENED ATTENDANCE AT ALL FUNCTIONS. ASTRONAUTS AWARE THEIR FREE TIME ACTIVITIES WILL BE CONTROLLED AND THEIR COOPERATION SOLICITED. EXTENT OR DEGREE OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES PROVIDED BY MISSIONS VIS-A-VIS A THROUGH D (ABOVE) WILL BE DECISION OF RSO WITH POST ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL CONDITIONS. ASTRONAUTS WILL BE TRAVELLING VIA U.S. MILITARY AIRCRAFT. RSO SHOULD INSURE PHYSICAL SECURITY OF AIRCRAFT WHILE GROUNDED.

2. SY AND IOS AGREE SENDING SECURITY OFFICERS TO SELECTED ADDRESSEE POSTS FOR ADVANCE SECURITY PREPARATIONS. IOS BRIAN DOWLING WILL PLAN ARRIVE KUWAIT IN TIME CONFER WITH RSO AND ASSIST IN COVERAGE ABU DHABI AND DOHA.

3. FOR KUWAIT, DOHA, ABU DHABI. DOWLING ITINERARY:

FEB. 7 AR KUWAIT 2105 BA 870

FEB. 9 AR. DOHA 0435 IA 019

FEB. 10 AR. ABU DHABI 0950 GF 331

FEB. 11 DOWLING WILL JOIN ASTRONAUT PARTY IN ABU DHABI AND TRAVEL TO DOHA AND KUWAIT IN THEIR AIRCRAFT.

FEB. 16 AR ROME 1540 SV 791 (SAUDI ARABIA)

FEB. 20 LV ROME 0850 TWA 891

4. FOR RSO JIDDA. SECOND USIA SECURITY OFFICER JAMES DENNEY, WILL PLAN ARRIVE JIDDA IN TIME TO CONFER WITH ROS AND ASSIST IN COVERAGE AT JIDDA AND RIYADH.

5. FOR ALGIERS AND RSO, TUNIS. RSO TUNIS SHOULD TRAVEL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO ALGIERS SUFFICIENTLY IN ADVANCE TO ASSIST POST ADVANCE SECURITY PLANNING AND REMAIN THROUGH ASTRONAUTS VISIT IN ALGIERS FROM FEBRUARY 19 TO 21. DENNEY WILL ARRIVE ALGIERS IN TIME TO ASSIST RSO WITH ADVANCE.

6. FOR RSO CAIRO. PROVIDE ASSISTANCE FOR COVERAGE OF ASTRONAUT VISIT DENNEY WILL LATER VISIT CAIRO EN ROUTE ALGIERS AND DESIRES CONSULTATION WITH RSO AND

PAO RE SECURITY MATTERS.

7. DENNEY ITINERARY.

FEB. 7 AR KUWAIT 2105 BA 870

FEB. 8 AR JIDDA 1725 SV 921

JIDDA/RIYADH/ABU DHABI-AIR FORCE PLANE WITH
ASTRONAUTS.

FEB. 13 AR KUWAIT 0945 KU 261

FEB. 16 AR CAIRO 1430 KU 541

FEB. 18 AR ALGIERS 1355 AZ 870

FEB. 21 LV ALGIERS WITH ASTRONAUTS FOR FRANKFURT.

8. FOR RSO TEL AVIV. PROVIDE NORMAL ASSISTANCE TO
POST FOR COVERAGE OF ASTRONAUTS VISIT.

9. FOR RSO ROME. ASTRONAUTS WILL OVERNIGHT NAPLES FEB. 18.
WILL ARRIVE 1950 HOURS AND DEPART 0800 FEB. 19. DOWLING WILL
ARRIVE ROME FEB. 16 AND DESIRES CONSULTATION WITH RSO ON
SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS FOR ASTRONAUTS IN NAPLES. NAPLES
STOP WILL INCLUDE OFFICIAL RECEPTION EVENING OF FEB. 18 UNDER
USIS AUSPCIES (TENTATIVE).

10. ALL POSTS ARRANGE MODERATE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR DOWLING AND
DENNEY. UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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